

REMARKS

Claims 27-32 and 48-53 were examined. No claims are amended or added. Claims 27-32 and 48-53 remain in the application.

The Patent Office provisionally rejects claims 27-32 and 48-53 on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-14 of copending Application No. 11/877,595. Applicant submits herewith a terminal disclaimer to obviate a provisional double-patenting rejection. Applicant respectfully requests the Patent Office withdraw the provisional rejection of claims 27-32 and 48-53.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that all claims now pending patentably define the subject invention over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17, particularly extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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